FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.75**

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TO: The Honorable John E. Courson, Chairman, Senate Education Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

ANALYSTS: Beth Campbell

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AUTHOR: Senator Ryberg PRIMARY CODE CITE: 59-4-110

SUBJECT: Tuition Pre-Payment Program

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

This Bill amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 59-4-110, which would prohibit the SC Tuition Prepayment Program (TPP) from accepting new participants into the program.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Office of the State Treasurer indicates this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The Office of the State Treasurer indicates the TPP has sufficient funds within the program to meet tuition contract benefits for all current subscribers until 2016. If the TPP were required to meet tuition contract obligations for existing subscribers, it would require an appropriation of \$128,504,067 in 2016. Alternatively, an appropriation of \$73,407,167 in 2008 would provide the same benefit. These estimates are based on an estimated tuition increase of 9 percent.

Approved by:

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